

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NABARD WATERSHED PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government implements watershed programmes in the country with the help of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD); and

(b) if so, the details thereof for the 11th and 12th Five Year Plans, State/UT-wise?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Namo Narain Meena)

(a) & (b): National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has been implementing watershed programmes under Watershed Development Fund, Integrated Watershed Development Programme (IWDP) in South Bihar and Indo-German Watershed Development Programme (IGWDP) in Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Rajasthan financially supported by KfW, Germany. The details are at Annex.

In addition, to mitigate the distress of farmers in 31 identified debt stressed districts, since 2006-07, a watershed programme is being implemented under "PM's Rehabilitation Package for Distressed Districts". The details of projects under implementation are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

States	No. of Districts	Physical Target	Physical Progress	Cumulative
(in ha)	(in ha)	amount		released
Andhra Pradesh	16	480000	483332	226.87
Karnataka	6	180000	186528	97.71
Kerala	3	90000	92077	82.10
Maharashtra	6	180000	181572	112.29
Total	31	930000	943509	518.97